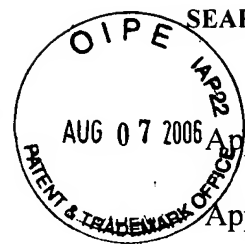


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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. BOX 1450
ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith in the above-entitled application are the following:

(X) Amendment and Response to Office Action (10 Pages).

(X) Return prepaid postcard.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

| CLAIMS AS FILED | | | | | | |
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| Total Claims | 31 | MINUS | 31 | = 0 X | \$ 50 | = \$0 |
| Independent Claims | 10 | MINUS | 10 | = 0 X | \$200 | = \$0 |
| If application has been amended to contain multiple dependent claim(s), then add | | | | | \$360 | = \$0 |
| (Select only one) | | | | one month | \$120 | = \$0 |
| Time Extension Fees: | | | | two months | \$450 | = \$0 |
| | | | | three months | \$1020 | = \$0 |
| TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT | | | | | | \$0.00 |

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- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required to Deposit Account No. 501423. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

GAZDZINSKI & ASSOCIATES

Dated: August 3, 2006

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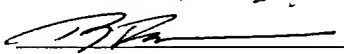
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